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For : DRUG-CONTAINING SUSTAINED RELEASE MICROPARTICLE,
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND PREPARATION
CONTAINING THE MICROPARTICLE

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to entering the National Stage.

Amendments to the specification (abstract) begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.